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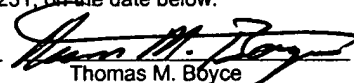
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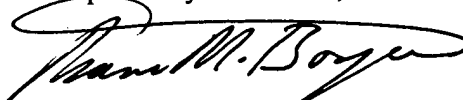
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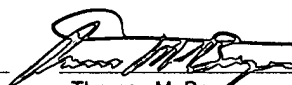
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
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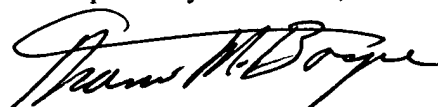
This is in response to the restriction requirement mailed on June 26, 2002, to which a response is due on August 26, 2002, by virtue of the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time, and payment of fees. No other fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this response; however, should applicants' check be missing, or any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these materials, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/AMBI:055.

RESPONSE

In response to the restriction requirement which the Examiner imposed, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute the Group I invention, as exemplified by claims 1-48 and 53-57 drawn to creating a nucleic acid and using a primer. Accordingly, claims drawn to the inventions of Groups II and III are canceled from the present case without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute claims to the non-elected inventions in continuing applications.

The examiner is invited to contact the undersigned with any questions regarding this response.

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